

Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training

Special Budget Meeting  
AGENDA

September 4, 1975

POST Headquarters  
Sacramento

- A. Call to Order
- B. Review of Budget Proposal, F. Y. 1976/77
  - 1. Standards and Training
  - 2. Technical Services Division
  - 3. Administration Division
  - 4. Administrative Counseling Division
- C. Adjournment

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The special budget meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. by Acting Chairman Robert Grogan. Chairman Barrett arrived at 10:15. A quorum was present.

Commissioners Present:

Wesley R. Barrett	- Chairman
William J. Anthony	- Commissioner
Floyd C. Barton	- Commissioner
Robert F. Grogan	- Commissioner
Edwin R. McCauley	- Commissioner
Jay R. Stroh	- Commissioner

Excused:

Loren W. Enoch	- Vice-Chairman
Jack G. Collins	- Commissioner
Donald F. McIntyre	- Commissioner
Herbert E. Ellingwood	- Representative of the Attorney General

Staff Present:

Gene S. Muehleisen	- Executive Director
Bradley W. Koch	- Director, Technical Services
Otto H. Saltenberger	- Director, Administrative Counseling
Gerald E. Townsend	- Director, Standards and Training
John Davidson	- Special Assistant to the Executive Director
Edward M. Toothman	- Director, Administration Division
Imogene Kauffman	- Recording Secretary

Visitors:

Gary Kuwabara	- Department of Justice, Fiscal Office
Frank E. Walsh	- Department of Justice, Fiscal Office

The POST Budget Review Committee meeting scheduled for August 21 was cancelled due to conflicts in scheduling, and was rescheduled as a special Commission meeting to review and approve the F. Y. 1976/77 POST budget. The complete budget is on file at POST headquarters.

The Executive Director set forth the budget procedure:

1. A review would be made of budget changes that go beyond the baseline budget as presented by the Department of Finance, and
2. Review all questionable items and discuss the justifications.

The summary of F. Y. 1976/77 budget requests and the budget change proposals above baseline were reviewed by divisions, and the following action was taken:

MOTION by Commissioner Grogan, seconded by Anthony, motion carried (McCauley - nay) that the F. Y. 1976/77 POST Budget be approved as submitted. Further, in recommending approval of the budget, Commissioner Grogan stated for the record that the Commission is fully aware that there is an audit being made of the POST Program, and that the Commission and its Advisory Committee are conducting an in-depth review of the Administrative Counseling program, and the Commission will report its findings to the Legislature by December 15, 1975. Based upon the Commission's report to the Legislature, the Commission retains the prerogative to recommend confirmation or revision of the 1976/77 budget.

Commissioner McCauley stated he had reservations regarding the Analysis Unit requested by Technical Services Division (\$17,476), and he was also uncomfortable with the Administrative Counseling budget. Therefore, he was prompted to vote "no" on approval of the entire budget.

#### Advisory Committee Report

By way of a progress report, the Advisory Committee, in session at the Holiday Inn in Sacramento, sent the following message to the Commission:

"The Advisory Committee has just adopted the following motion:

MOTION by Chairman Lance, seconded by Chief Tielsch, that all previous motions (regarding the Administrative Counseling Division study) be repealed and that an alternative approach to recommendations be as follows as it related to the study:

1. In principle, the Advisory Committee supports the Administrative Counseling service for local law enforcement;
2. A moratorium be placed on any additional workload by Administrative Counseling; the basic purpose for this procedure is to allow for more direct response by the field as to the desirability of the service;

3. The Advisory Committee will continue the study of the program for possible alternatives for approaches to delivering the service;
4. POST staff will prepare alternative approaches to funding the Administrative Counseling service which would include possible hiring of consultants by local agencies via POST funds;
5. All current studies shall be examined as to completion within 30 man-days and could be responded to within 90 days of request.
6. Staff and the Advisory Committee shall develop additional and new experimental approaches to delivering the services."

Chairman Lance said that the purpose of this motion was for sequence and to additionally justify to the Commission and the Department of Finance the need for further study on alternative approaches and other ways of delivering services.

The following amendment was made to the motion:

"MOTION by Sheriff Gates that the motion be amended to state that a time limit be put on the entire study and that it be completed by January 1, 1976. Motion carried."

During Commissioners' discussion of the above recommendations, the following comments were made by various Commissioners:

Recommendation No. 2:

It was the understanding of the Administrative Counseling Committee that special survey requests and selected studies should be continued.

Recommendation No. 4:

The Administrative Counseling Committee was very much against this recommendation.

It was also stated that some rash decisions may be made unless the total concept is studied of what Administrative Counseling can do; the valuable tool it can be to law enforcement and how it blends in with the whole system.

Recommendation No. 5:

In response to the question of what this recommendation meant, Mr. Saltenberger

stated that studies which will take more than 30 man-days to complete, amounting to \$6,000 or more, would require Commission approval. Any work that would be completed in less than 30 man days would be committed at the discretion of staff.

Chairman Barrett expressed concern with the conflict in dates of the Advisory Committee's projected completion date of its study and the December 15, 1975, due date of the report to be made to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.

In view of the December 15 deadline, it was the consensus of the Commission that a special Commission meeting be held in Los Angeles on November 20 for the purpose of reviewing Administrative Counseling recommendations of the Administrative Counseling Committee and the Advisory Committee. At that time decisions will be made on the content of the report to be made to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee by December 15, 1975.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
GENE S. MUEHLEISEN  
Executive Director